

GREAT AMERICAN THEATRE STARTED IN A LIBRARY



Public libraries continue to help people of all ages discover their calling. The investment you make in your local library helps them develop their talents and realize their dreams. It also brings in additional tax dollars, raises

property values and creates new jobs. In fact, studies have shown that:

for every \$1 spent on the library, a community sees an average of \$4 in return.



YOUR PUBLIC LIBRARY IS A CAREER INSPIRATION

Gregory Maguire is a born storyteller. He hails from a family of journalists, poets, and professional writers.

So it's no surprise his parents sent him to a magical place where stories come to life every day: **the local library.**

There, he found the inspiration for his life's work: writing fantasy, fairy tales, and science fiction.

His 1995 bestseller, *Wicked: The Life and Times of the Wicked Witch of the West* forms the basis of the award-winning Broadway musical, *Wicked*.

His career started at the library.

Go to **www.oclc.org/roi/** to learn about the economic impact of library investment.



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